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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re: CC Docket No. 96-45, CC Docket No. 98-171, CC Docket No. 90-571, CC Docket No. 92-237, CC Docket No. 99-200, CC Docket No. 95-116, CC Docket No. 98-170

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to notify the Office of the Secretary that on October 8, 2003, the National Cable & Telecommunications Association ("NCTA") represented by Neal Goldberg, General Counsel, Richard Cimerman, Senior Director of Association Affairs, and I met with William Maher, Chief, Carol Mattey, Deputy Bureau Chief, Eric Einhorn, Division Chief, and Diane Law Hsu, Deputy Chief, all of the Wireline Competition Bureau. We discussed the Universal Service issues in the above-referenced proceedings as they relate to services provided by cable companies.

The presentation reflected positions submitted to the FCC in NCTA's filings in these proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Daniel L. Brenner

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